

The United States Agency for International Development Bureau for Africa (USAID/AFR) BAA for Sustainable Development in Sub-Saharan Africa BAA-AFR-SD-2016

ADDENDUM 02 - IMPLEMENTING A LEARNING AGENDA TO RECORD THE NUANCES OF CLIMATE INFORMATION SERVICES (I.LEARN.CIS) IN SUBSAHARAN AFRICA

Responses to Questions

Question 1: The addendum to the BAA focuses heavily on the use of Climate Information Services (CIS) for agriculture. Would USAID consider EOIs that seek to explore the use of CIS in other water-related sectors (e.g., water resource management, flood control, drinking water supply, etc.)?

Government Answer: Yes, we would.

Question 2: Are the instructions for submitting expression of interest in the health addendum 01 applicable to the co-development of climate services learning agenda call? What is the deadline for the expression of interest?

Government Answer: No, the instructions for submitting expressions of interest in the health addendum 01 are not applicable to the climate services addendum 02. The deadline for expressions of interest for Addendum 02 is April 1, 2016, at 5 PM EST.

Question 3: Would USAID accept and competitively evaluate EOIs that seek to conduct multicountry (regional) activities?

Government Answer: USAID seeks to develop the most innovative and forward-thinking learning agenda around climate services in sub-Saharan Africa. Therefore, USAID will consider all EOIs that are tied to such a learning agenda, including those that seek to work in multiple countries as well as in specific countries in the Sahel.

Question 4: Would USAID accept and competitively evaluate EOIs that seek to work in Chad as part of USAID's resilience efforts in the Sahel?

Government Answer: In principle, yes, if a good case can be made for how work in Chad will contribute to a broader learning agenda. However, because Chad is not currently a focus country in USAID's resilience efforts, we would encourage you to consider whether work in other countries might be a better fit. USAID's Sahel focus countries currently include: Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, and Senegal.

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